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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re. Live Export

I am writing to submit my concerns regarding live export and I respectfully ask that you consider the following information in your deliberations.

My particular concerns are summarised below:

- Countries including Indonesia and the Middle East do not have the same animal welfare concerns as Australia does, therefore their facilities and methods are clearly unable to attend to these animals in the way that Australia would demand.
- The Australian industry has proven that it cannot manage these concerns and has caused a public outcry to demand this be addressed.

I do not support resurrection of the live export trade in any form and therefore will not comment on the points relating to transport, animal age/weight or identification as these methods should have been introduced when live export was initiated many years ago. The fact that these methods are not already in place supports that the public do not trust the government or industry to implement or manage this now.

I request that you use the inquiry to ban all live export or risk a boycott of meat in Australia.

I look forward to the findings from this inquiry resulting in a full ban of all live trade.

Yours faithfully,

Tanya Barker